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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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**To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:  
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 corresponding to Japanese applications 11-138667, filed May  
 19, 1999; 11-181137, filed June 28, 1999; 2000-207972, filed  
 July 10, 2000 and 2000-207973, filed July 10, 2000,  
 entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTINUOUS CASTING OF METALS

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